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GOODYEAR CITYREPORT

See Insert for Spring Special Events and Recreation Classes!

Household Hazardous Materials Day - April 2

It's that time of the year again, where you can recycle or dispose of unwanted household hazardous waste materials that may be sitting in a cabinet in the house or out in the garage. Look for words like poison, danger, warning and caution on the label.

Bring those unwanted corrosive, toxic, flammable and poisonous materials to the Goodyear City Hall parking lot at 190 North Litchfield Road, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. This service is free to Goodyear residents so you will need to bring proof of residency (i.e. a utility bill, drivers license, voter registration) that shows your address.

Try to keep all products in their original containers and do NOT remove the labels. All lids and caps should be tightly sealed. If an item cannot be sealed tightly, place it in a sealed plastic bag. Place all of your items in a cardboard box for safe transport.

Items that WILL be collected

| Adhesives | Brake Fluids |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| \erosols | Brake Spray |
| Anti-Freeze | Carburetor |
| Art & Hobby Supplies | Cleaners |
| Automotive Glue | Caulking |
| Automotive Products | Charcoal |
| Bait | Lighters |
| Batteries (automotive | Household |
| or household) | Cleaners/ |
| Brake Fluids | Waxes |
| Brake Sprays | Compressor |
| Carburetor Cleaners | Oils |
| Caulking | Correction |
| Charcoal Lighters | Fluids |
| Household Cleaners | Cutting Oils |
| & Waxes | Engine |
| Compressor Oils | Degreasers |
| Correction Fluids | Fertilizers |
| Cutting Oils | Fire |
| Engine Degreasers | Extinguisher |
| ertilizers | Flammables |
| Fire Extinguishers | Fluorescent |
| Bait | Tubes |
| Batteries (automotive | Fuel Additive |
| or household) | Fungicides |
| Wheels and rims must be remove | |

Gardening Photography Supplies Gasoline Herbicides Injector Sprays Insecticides Kerosene Lacquers Linseed Oil Lubricants Metal Conditioners Detectors Mineral Spirits Motor Oil Nail Polish/ Oil Filters Related Material

Poisons **Primers** Prop ane Tanks **Rubbing Alcohol** Rug & Upholstery Cleaners Sealers **Shoe Polishes** Smoke Solvents **Spot Removers** Wood Stains **Thermometers** Removers Thermostats **Tires** (Passenger Transmission Fluids Varnishes

Chemicals

Items that will NOT be collected 55-Gallon Drums of Waste Air Conditioners

Ammunition **Biological Waste** Commercial/Industrial Waste Explosives Glass Infectious Wastes Large Truck Tires Medical Waste Metals Papers/Newspapers **Plastics** Radioactive Waste Refrigerators Non-hazardous solid waste for landfills Stoves / Ovens **Syringes**

Water Heaters

ved from tires. No large or off-road tires will be accepted. There will be a 5-tire limit per vehicle.

City Center Concept Update

After analyzing the comments of hundreds of Goodyear residents, consultants/designers combined the best of each of the three concepts into one single draft plan and presented it to the City Center Technical Advisory Committee on March 10th. Following further refinement, the draft concept will be presented to the public for additional comment in May. Watch the CityReport, local newspapers and the Goodyear's website for the date.

SW Valley Citizen **Academy Offers Advanced Courses**

Classes held at Estrella **Mountain Community College**

Our Southwest Valley Citizen Academy (SWVCA) has launched its first "advanced" learning-for-life courses.

"State Government 101"

We hope you will sign up for this 6-week course if you are interested in

learning about how your state government works. Starting

Thursday, March 24th, you will hear

about topics

from state elections and the Legislature, to the Attorney General's role and Governor's office. An optional State Capitol tour is offered. Cost is \$50 per person; the course is open to anyone. For questions, contact 623-935-8426; to register, call 623-935-8888 (EMCC).

"HOA 101"

Our second "advanced" course is for those who sit on neighborhood councils, homeowner association (HOA) boards and neighborhood associations. Topics covered by the experts in the field range from bylaws and CC&Rs to rights of homeowners and duties of an HOA board. Practical legal and financial issues will be covered in one, energizing day -Saturday, April 9, 9:30 am - 3:00 pm. Cost is only \$29/participant and includes lunch. To register, call 623-935-8888 (EMCC); for information, call Goodyear's Lili Schuett - 623-882-7801.



Mayor Jim Cayanaugh

In late 2004, the City hired an independent market research firm to interview our residents about their satisfaction levels with the quality of life in Goodyear and with our City services.

I'd like to take this opportunity on behalf of the City Council to thank the 401 residents who agreed to the phone survey. It's pretty common these days to hang up when someone unknown calls us, so we are very appreciative that you took the call and then stayed on the line for 25 minutes to answer over 100 questions.

We gained a great deal of valuable information as many of you may have seen in the *Citizen Survey Results* insert in the February *CityReport*. But that insert just touched the surface of what we learned. In addition to finding you are generally very satisfied with the quality of life in Goodyear and in your neighborhoods and with the major services we provide, we learned that you have been treated well when contacting the City. That's important.

Mayor - Survey Results Help Council Set Policy

About one-third of you contacted us in the past year, mostly by phone (60%) or in person (32%). Ninety-two percent said they were treated courteously and 80 percent felt their requests were handled in a timely manner. We intend to improve our timeliness this year!

When we asked you how well the City pays attention to our citizens on issues, almost nine out of ten felt that we paid attention to your opinions. Listening to our residents is what we are here to do. Having citizen committees and gaining citizen input is a way of life in Goodyear. We want to be a "participatory city." We will strive to keep that percentage high in coming years as well.

Eighty-three percent of you said that you had the opportunity to participate in your neighborhood issues. With our new Neighborhood Division and through your own HOA's or Neighborhood Associations, we hope that percentage will increase in the future. Our Neighborhood Division is committed to working with neighborhoods to help them increase residential participation.

As a result of the survey, we understand that your number one concern is our fast growth as well as the traffic congestion that seems to be coming with it. Be assured we have made it a primary goal to have service levels and infrastructure keep up with this rapid growth. That is one reason we formed the Water Management Department and hired a water resources manager - to keep us focused on obtaining our long-term water supply and staying on top of our water and wastewater infrastructure needs. A citizen committee is working on these issues as I write. (See story on page 4).

While you rated our trash service as the #1 service we provide, you also told us that one of the key desired services we are not providing is curbside recycling. We are currently in the middle of a curbside recycling pilot program and have appointed a citizen committee to help us redesign a citywide solid waste and recycling program to be delivered in the most efficient and cost-effective manner possible. (See story on page 4).

What you tell us in the surveys guides our policy setting throughout the year. Whether it's widening roads to help alleviate traffic congestion concerns or building more parks to help improve satisfaction levels in that area — we are listening. Your input counts!



Goodyear City Council



The Goodyear
City Council
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Sue Linney, Vice
Mayor Dick
Sousa, Fred Scott,
Mayor Jim
Cavanaugh, Rob
Antoniak, Ken
Porter and Frank
Cavalier.

COUNCIL MEETING CAI FNDAR

All Council meetings and worksessions are held at the GoodyearJustice Facility, 986 S. Litchfield Rd.

Monday, March 21 Special Meeting - 6 p.m.

Monday, March 28 Worksession - 5 p.m. Regular Meeting - 6 p.m

Monday, April 11 Regular Meeting - 6 p.m.



Saturday, April 9, 2 - 8 p.m Fireworks Spectacular Goodyear's Community Park 3151 N. Litchfield Rd.

It's a FREE festival with something for everyone!

Candscape and Garden Show featuring some of the Valley's finest landscape showing you the latest trends for your home TV's Dave the Garden Guy giving free demonstrations throughout the day at 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 PM

Spring FireWorks Display

on a cool April

Fabulous Farmers Market! Vendors Selling Scrumptions Food!

music All Day!

"Texas Toast and Jam" play country favorites from 4 to 8 p.m.

Kid's Zone with Lowe's "Activity Area"

- Lowe's Home Improvement Store will sponsor a "Children's Activity Area" with take-home projects for children.
- Our "Kid"s Zone" will feature bouncers and rides, balloon animals and face painters
- A magician will be strolling the area entertaining one and all

For more information, please call Mark Kimball at 623-882-7534.







Goodyear's 2005 Spring Concert Series

Free Spring Concert Series the First Four Fridays in April!
6:30 PM each night
Goodyear Community Park, 3151 N. Litchfield Rd.

An intriguing and diverse lineup of bands for your listening pleasure with some surprises thrown in for fun! Just bring blankets or chairs to enjoy the music under the stars. Refreshments will be sold.

April 1 <u>"Come Back Buddy"</u> – Close your eyes as you step back in time and listen to this very talented tribute to Buddy Holly complete with costumes and, of course, the glasses.

April 8 <u>"The Chuck Hall Band"</u> – This long-time Valley favorite brings us great blues to ease away the stresses of the week.

April 15 <u>"Grantman and the Island Beat"</u> – Take a trip to the islands.

The Goodyear Post Office will be at the park to collect your tax returns so you can stay and enjoy the concert. Everyone that turns in their tax return that night will be eligible for some nice gift certificates to various Goodyear merchants.

April 22 <u>"Rhythm Edition"</u> – This high energy, versatile band comes to the West Valley after opening for the likes of Steppenwolf and the Marshal Tucker Band.

Spring 2005 Special Interest Classes

As we are all busy with our day to day lives, it is important to take the opportunity to have some "you time." What better way than coming to one of our diverse special interest classes?! Most of our classes are held at the Loma Linda Park Community Center, 420 E. Loma Linda Blvd. We invite residents of Goodyear and our neighboring communities to come and join us for some fun!

Basic Karate Intermediate Karate Arts & Crafts ABC's & 123's Parent/Tot Music

Beginning Tennis Intermediate Tennis Belly Dancing Beginning JazzDance Beginning Ballet Beginning Gymnastics

Dog Obedience Training

Registration for these classes runs from March 10th through March 30th. Classes begin the week of April 4th. Registration forms, schedules, class descriptions and fees can be found on our web site at www.goodyearaz.gov or come by the City of Goodyear's Public Works facility at 200 S. Calle Del Pueblo to register. Please contact Mark Kimball at 623.882.7534 or e-mail mkimball@goodyearaz.gov with any questions you have.

Please note: We are always looking at expanding our class offerings and encourage anyone who wishes to teach a special interest class to contact us.

Motorized Skateboards Now Being Regulated by Police

Beginning March 28th, the Goodyear Police Department will be regulating the use of motorized skateboards based on a new ordinance adopted by the Goodyear City Council on February 28th. Until the ordinance goes into effect, the Police will be educating the public about the guidelines for use of these types of motorized play vehicles on public roads with a speed limit below 25 MPH.

"We will be doing everything we can to let the public know about this new ordinance," stated Police Chief Mark Brown. "We're glad that we were able to get ahead of the curve with these regulations before we began seeing injuries and hearing a lot of complaints from the use of these motorized skateboards."

The new ordinance prohibits operators under the age of 14, and requires all

motorized skateboard users under the age of 18 to have a parental consent form on them at all times when operating the vehicle. The new regulations also requires all motorized skateboards to have a braking system and requires operators to wear

safety equipment such as a protective helmet, eyewear and footwear.

Because motorized skateboards are usually very noisy, nuisance issues are

also addressed in the ordinance. It establishes daylight hours (not before 7

am and not after 8 pm) as the only acceptable times of operation. To try to contain noise, the ordinance also allows no modifications to the original factory design unless it reduces the manufactured noise level.

Any merchant in Goodyear who sells skateboards must now

post the City's regulations and inform customers of the regulations prior to selling one of these play vehicles.



Cowboy Codey Sez . . . "I'm Really Proud that Our Cowboy Codey Marketing Campaign Won a National Award"

At the American Association of Code Enforcement (AACE) annual meeting, our very own Cowboy Codey program received an award for "Outstanding Achievement in Marketing of Code Enforcement." The award is given to a marketing program that furthers the education of the public on code enforcement. Jurisdictions all across the country submit their programs to the AACE board prior to the annual meeting. The Board reviews the submittals and awards the most innovative program. The

prestigious award was presented to Goodyear's Code Compliance Manager Gail Bosgieter at the annual banquet held in Phoenix.

Goodyear has both a live Cowboy Codey who makes appearances at city functions throughout the year and a cartoon character. The Code Compliance mascot has his own English/Spanish code awareness brochure, a monthly column in the *CityReport*, a youth code coloring page, bumper stickers and bandanas for junior Codey fans.



The AACE Award

Cowboy Codey Campaign Materials

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Important Issues Being Considered by Solid Waste Advisory Citizen Committee

Redesigning the City's solid waste management program is no small task, but six Goodyear citizens, a councilmember and Goodyear's Sanitation staff have willingly taken on the challenge.

Cindy Esterly, Mike Pekar, Earl Smith, Rob Tibbs, Shawn Watt and Chairman Robert Williams are the citizens who have been appointed to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee along with Councilmember Rob Antoniak. Their charge is to make recommendations to the City Council on solid waste and recycling needs and the timing of implementation.

Working with the committee are Sanitation Superintendent Brian Barnes, Sanitation Supervisor John Acosta and Sanitation Foreman Willy Elizondo.

The committee has been tasked with looking into the challenges and cost effective ways of implementing a citywide curbside recycling program. The



committee is also looking for ways to improve the overall sanitation services offered to residents while keeping costs in line. Challenges include concerns regarding alley collections, manual vs. automated collections, container sizes, home storage of containers and program costs. New services that are being considered include separate green waste collections and construction debris collections.

The meetings are open to the public. For meeting dates and times or questions, call 623-932-1637.

Water Resource Issues Being Studied by Citizens

The Water Resources Public
Advisory Committee has been
meeting since January to review the
City's adopted Water Resources
Master Plan. Members of the
citizen committee include Nancy
Baricza, Arnott Duncan, Eric Henry,
Jean Kolakowsi, Dorothy Kreps,
Elaine Nesvig, Moira Rozon, Sherrie
Rutter and Paul Smiley.

Water Management Director Charles McDowell and Water Resources Manager David Iwanski are working with the committee to provide them the information necessary to make recommendations related to Goodyear's shortterm and long-term water resource needs for areas south of I-10, their associated costs, and the amount of public outreach needed to educate citizens on these issues.

The committee will be attending a full-day workshop in March to develop their recommendations for the future prioritization of water resource projects in Goodyear.

JOB OPENINGS

Visit the City of Goodyear Web site at www.goodyearaz.gov or call the City's 24-hour hotline, (623) 932-1716 for job listings. Goodyear accepts applications only for open positions. The Human Resource Office is located at 190 N. Litchfield Rd. Phone (623) 882-7752. TTY (623) 932-6500. EEO/M/F/V/H/D.

Police To Begin Enforcing Illegal ATV Activity

Due to an increase in complaints from residents in Estrella Mountain Ranch (EMR) and based on a request from the Arizona State Land Department, Goodyear Police will start actively enforcing the "no off-road riding" laws in Goodyear in the area north of Elliot Road, roughly between San Gabriel St. and Rainbow Valley Rd.

Intensive patrol began on March 7th for 30 days. After April 7th, violators will be subject to arrest for trespassing.



Most of the enforcement area is State Trust Land that is zoned a "sensitive desert area." Because of this zoning, no off-road vehicles are allowed. The State of Arizona stated that it desires prosecution for any violators.

Trespassing signs (shown here) have been posted. These signs constitute "reasonable notice prohibiting entry," according to Arizona law.

EMR residents donated an ATV to help Goodyear Police combat the problem. Residents are encouraged to contact the Police at 623-932-1220 to report any violators.



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